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Amber Crooks
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Dear Ms. Crooks:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) dated October 13, 2016. This request was assigned FOIA number FWS-2017-00044. In your request you seek all records regarding the Eastern Collier Habitat Conservation Plan and associated Environmental Impact Statement from February 1, 2016, to October 13, 2016.

As of this date, the Service has provided you with 570 documents per our letters to you dated January 31, 2017, and May 12, 2017. At this time we are providing you an additional 31 documents on the enclosed CD. We are working with our regional solicitor to determine if other documents found are exempt from disclosure under FOIA. After the review by the solicitor we will provide you with a final response.

You may appeal this response to the Department of Interior's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you choose to appeal, the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 30 workdays from the date of this letter. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

Your appeal must be made in writing. You may submit your appeal and accompanying materials to the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer by mail, courier service, fax, or email. All communications concerning your appeal should be clearly marked with the words: "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." You must include an explanation of why you believe the Service's response is in error. You must also include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the Service concerning your FOIA request, including your original FOIA request and the Service's response. Failure to include with your appeal all correspondence between you and the Service will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal, unless the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer determines (in the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer's sole discretion) that good cause exists to accept the defective appeal.

Please include your name and daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address and fax number (if available) in case the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer needs additional information or clarification of your appeal.

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For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact LeeAnn Kelso at 772-469-4251.

Sincerely,



Roxanna Hinzman
Field Supervisor
South Florida Ecological Services Office

Enclosure

cc: w/o enclosure (electronic only)
Service, Regional FOIA Officer, Atlanta, Georgia (Tiffany McClurkin)